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In re the Application of: Kojiro TANAKA

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Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination of this application, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.